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Sisters Elope With Brothers.

Lavonia, Ga., Dec. 5.—A double elopement, in which two brothers stole two sisters from their home in the dead hours of night and were married at 3 o'clock in the morning to overcome parental objections, took place here this week.

Miss Annie Blanche Smith became the bride of Charles Sheriff and Miss Rosa May Smith was married to Matthew Sheriff. The brides are daughters of D. B. Smith, a prominent merchant of Lavonia.

Avenge Pankhurst's Arrest.

Glasgow, Scotland, Dec. 5.—Militant suffragettes to-day began taking their revenge for the arrest of Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst. Kelly House, an untenanted mansion, at Memyss Bay, on the Firth-of-Clyde, was fired, with \$100,000 loss.

Upon the lawn a number of cards, bearing suffrage inscriptions, were scattered. One of them said: "No peace or truce until Mrs. Pankhurst is free."

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ATTY. GENERAL KILLS NEGRO.

Accidentally Shot Man at Elks' Club While Showing Pistol to Friend.

Columbia, Dec. 6.—Robert Marshall, colored, was killed to-night by Attorney General Thos. H. Peoples at the Elks' Club in this city, where the negro was employed as chef. According to those at the club the shooting was entirely accidental, and Mr. Peoples is sorry beyond expression at the happening.

It was a pistol shot, the ball piercing the brain of the negro. The occurrence was about 10 o'clock to-night. Mr. Peoples rested to-night at the Governor's Mansion, where he went just after the shooting took place.

Governor Blease was out of the city, being at his home in Newberry. He made an effort, according to friends, to come here late to-night, but could not reach the city.

News of the shooting spread about the city, although every effort was made to keep it quiet. Many friends thought it best not to publish anything about the affair, but as it was an accidental killing, according to those at the club, others deemed it best that the facts be known.

Sheriff McCain was on hand personally at the club soon after the shooting and on the suggestion that Mr. Peoples get a good night's rest at the Mansion he sent a deputy with him.

J. F. Weaver, attendant at the club, is quoted as saying that Mr. Peoples was passing a gun over the counter to him when it exploded, the bullet piercing the brain of the negro, who was instantly killed. The gun is said to have been a .44-calibre. The ball entered at the center of the right temple and came out of the left temple.

A brother of the dead negro was present at the shooting. He afterwards stated that he had heard no words pass between his brother and Mr. Peoples, and the first thing he knew was the report of the pistol. The brother is an employee of the club also.

Killing Was Accidental.

Columbia, Dec. 7.—That Robert Marshall, the negro cook at the Elks' Club, came to his death last night from the accidental discharge of a pistol in the hands of Attorney General Thos. H. Peoples was the verdict of the coroner's jury that investigated the shooting to-night.

This means that the Attorney General will be brought to trial at the next term of court for accidental homicide. The court convenes during the first week of January. The formal bond will be arranged to-morrow before Coroner Scott. The Attorney General was released to-night on his own recognizance. The trial in January is regarded as a mere formality, but is necessary under the laws of the State.

All the testimony brought out at the inquest tended to show that the shooting was an accident. Attorney General Peoples himself made a statement to the jury in which he explained the discharge of the pistol, his reason for having it and all the matters leading up to the unfortunate occurrence.

In effect Mr. Peoples stated that he had placed the pistol in his automobile yesterday when his mother went with her brother to Lexington. The return trip was made by Mrs. Peoples with a strange chauffeur and he desired that she should have the pistol for protection. When he went to the Elks' Club at 10 o'clock last night he took the pistol out of the car and carried it upstairs to the club rooms with the intention of leaving it there.

"I do not carry a pistol," said Mr. Peoples, "and wanted to leave the weapon at the club." He said that as he walked behind the buffet to place the weapon near the cash register Capt. J. H. Weaver, who was standing behind the counter, asked him to let him see the pistol. He stated that he was handing it over when the pistol discharged, killing the negro cook, who was standing in front of the buffet at the moment.

HUERTA FAMILY LEAVE CITY.

Federal Soldiers Cross Border—Villa Soldiers Gaining Ground.

Mexico City, Dec. 8.—Provisional President Huerta's family is again reported to have left the capital. A report, apparently well founded, current here to-day, was to the effect that the members of the President's household had gone to Guadalajara, the capital of the State of Jalisco, from where, it was said, they would go to the Pacific port of Manzanillo, State of Colima.

Huerta's Soldiers Fleeing.

Presidio, Texas, Dec. 8.—Twenty Mexican Federal soldiers, the advance guard of the bedraggled army which deserted Chihuahua City, arrived at Ojinaga, Mexico, opposite Presidio, to-day.

The soldiers reported that they had not been attacked by rebels in the flight from Chihuahua, and that they were being followed by other refugees, including civilians and Federal officers.

Villa Entering Chihuahua.

Juarez, Mexico, Dec. 8.—Chihuahua City was under control of rebel troops under Gen. Chao to-day. Gen. Villa, Constitutional military leader, was still working outside the city. Federico Moya, the Civil Gov-

TEXAS FLOOD GROWS WORSE.

Reports Now Indicate About 2,000 Lives Have Been Lost.

Bryan, Texas, Dec. 8.—Planters here estimate that 2,000 persons have been drowned in the 30-mile levee disaster. The reports are based on an estimate made by land owners in the district of the number of their tenants and the total number of known rescued or those still marooned.

Many others are reported marooned at points where they cannot be reached and are in danger of starving unless the floods recede soon. Several members of rescue parties were among to-day's victims. The majority of the tenants reported drowned are negroes and Italians.

The last census gave 15,000 tenants in the levee section, of whom 70 per cent were negroes, 5 per cent Americans and 25 per cent Italians. The rescued since the flood on this, the east side of the river, have been estimated at only 1,100, with an equal number believed to be rescued on the other side.

Boatmen to-day reported there were still 1,800 persons, mostly negroes, in fourteen cotton gin houses in the overflow where they are in no immediate danger, though very hungry. The boatmen also said there remained very few places where there could still be marooned refugees. The unknown quantity in this estimate was the number who heeded the warning and ran out of the district ahead of the rise. A great many are known to have done this.

Water Falls Slowly.

The water has fallen but three feet altogether from the crest of the flood, the slow falling being due to the narrow outlet at the lower end of the lake formed by the breaking of the 30-mile levee.

Unless bodies are found, the planters don't expect to be able to verify death lists until the water recedes and each of them gathers up and takes census of his now scattered or missing tenants.

The bright spot in the situation is the certainty that in three days' investigation in specific localities where drownings have been reported by boatmen, boatmen have found no bodies. What worried them, however, was a fear that in some of these places the water had removed all the evidence.

Rescuers are Drowned.

Two more white men (rescuers) were drowned to-day in this section at Pitts Bridge. They were Albert Worley and Henry Berger, the latter one of the heroes of the flood. Berger, in a flimsy home-made boat, saved 28 persons before he lost his life.

The frightful conditions in the levee district were indicated this afternoon in news of the deaths of three prominent Bryan men, who left here in a motorboat last night with relief provisions. They are Howard Cavitt, Lea J. Robbins and Clifton Elzie. Their boat capsized and the bodies of Cavitt and one of the others were found in a tree into which they had climbed. They died of exposure.

Killed in Buggy; Friend Accused.

Valdosta, Ga., Dec. 7.—News was received here to-night of the tragic death of Mills B. Lane, Jr., of Savannah. Reports are meager as to details of the tragedy, but Sheriff Gornio has been notified to catch Mason Williams, of Mineola.

Young Lane and young Williams were the best of friends, and were out riding this afternoon near Morven, in Brooks county.

It is reported that they became involved in a quarrel in the buggy, and began scuffling, when Williams drew his gun and shot Lane, who fell from the buggy. Young Williams is said to have got out of the buggy, examined the body, and finding life extinct, is said to have exclaimed, "My God, I have killed him!" He then got back in the buggy, it is said, and drove off, leaving the dead man by the roadside.

It is not known what the young men quarreled about. They were about 20 years of age each, and were bosom friends.

Olive Camp, No. 424, W. O. W.

Will hold its next meeting on Saturday night before the third Sunday in this month. All members are earnestly requested to be present, as there are some very important business matters to be attended to.

J. A. Callahan, Clerk.

ernor, remained in possession, but was ready to greet Villa.

Aiming to restore normal conditions in Northern Mexico, Gen. Francisco Villa to-day issued an order that all foodstuffs should be sold at prices usually obtained in time of peace.

Stores in Chihuahua and other rebel cities are required to sell goods at prices named by Villa. The rebel leader said that if merchants attempted to ask higher prices he would confiscate their property. Train loads of provisions are to be shipped from Juarez to the almost famished citizens of Chihuahua.

Unless the Federal troops who deserted Chihuahua unexpectedly reappear and resort to guerilla warfare, the northern part of Mexico will assume a semblance of peace through the opening of the railroads.

MEXICAN FUGITIVES ON MARCH.

One of the Most Tragic Incidents of Present Revolution.

Presidio, Texas, Dec. 8.—The complete route of Huerta's Federal army in Northern Mexico, with the frantic flight of his generals for safety to the border and the demoralization of the unpaid troops, was established with the arrival to-day at Ojinaga, Mexico, opposite Presidio, of the civilians and soldiers who deserted Chihuahua City.

In the remarkable hegira which struggled for eight days over an 185-mile trail through the desert and endured great hardships for want of food and water were Gen. Salvador Mercado, Huerta's deposed military Governor and commander of the Federal troops in the north, Gen. Pascual Orozco, Gen. Antonio Rojas, Gen. Carvo, Gen. Inez Salazar, and a host of subordinate officers. They had deserted their post in fear of Gen. Francisco Villa's rebel army and virtually had surrendered to the rebels at Chihuahua, the State capital, and the largest of the far Northern cities.

Desolate Procession.

Along with them came, burdened with what property they could carry, men, women and children, representing some of the richest families in the republic. Their flight with the army was in the face of reports that they might expect no mercy should they fall into the hands of the rebels. Luis Terrazas, a wealthy land owner, reputed to own half of the State of Chihuahua, was said to have brought with him a vast fortune in cash, fearing it might be looted by the rebels if he remained in the evacuated city.

Witnesses viewing the oncoming throng from the hills of Ojinaga reported the refugees were scattered in a thin line for several miles into the interior, and that the dusty confusion of broken down wagons, disabled artillery and mingling of disheartened soldiers and famished civilians as they slowly moved over the desert presented a spectacle of universal despair.

The fear of being unable to keep pace with the escorting army, of being lost on the desert or caught by the rebels, added to the misery of so precipitate a flight and kept the refugees in almost a continuous frenzy. Their arrival in a panic, but unmolested by the rebels, formed one of the most tragic incidents of the present revolution.

DAVID D. GAILLARD DEAD.

Dug Culebra Cut and Conquered Panama Slides—A Carolinian.

Baltimore, Md., Dec. 5.—Lieut. Col. David Dubose Gaillard, United States Army, who directed the engineering work in the Culebra Cut, a division of the Panama Canal, died at Johns Hopkins Hospital here to-day.

Lieut. Gaillard had been a patient at the hospital since August 17 last, suffering from a growth in the head, the result of seven years' arduous labor in the tropical climate of the Canal Zone. He failed gradually but steadily, and for the last two months had been in a state of coma, due to the pressure of the cranial growth upon the brain cells. The physicians decided some time ago that an operation was useless and might hasten his death.

He is survived by his widow and a son, Lieut. David P. Gaillard, United States Army. Both were at the bedside when the end came.

Native of South Carolina.

Lieut. Col. Gaillard was born at Winstboro, S. C., in 1854. He graduated from West Point Military Academy in 1884, and since that time had won many honors in the engineering service. A bill was introduced in Congress last month promoting him to the rank of colonel in recognition of his distinguished services which culminated in the great engineering feat in the Culebra section of the Panama Canal.

When Culebra Cut was flooded by the blasting of Gamboa dike on October 10 last Col. Gaillard lay unconscious in his bed at the hospital.

Col. Gaillard's death is the culmination of a breakdown incurred by long hours of work and exposure in the Canal Zone, where he pitted his skill as an engineer against the shifting soil of Culebra Cut. To him had been given the most difficult task in connection with the canal's construction, to master the landslides and quicksands which extended for eight miles along the line of Culebra Cut.

During the early years of his contest with the landslides Col. Gaillard never knew what a morning was to bring forth. Over night the mountains moved and covered with their deposit the tracks, and even the cars which were used to remove material. Culebra Cut runs through the backbone of the American continent. Gaillard dug indomitably until hill after hill found its angle of repose and he checked the landslides save at Cucaracha and points nearby. There the sliding was persistent, but had visibly weakened, when the engineer was compelled to stop his work and seek rest.

Flags at Half Mast.

Panama, Dec. 6.—Flags in the Canal Zone are flying at half-mast in memory of the late Lieut. Col. Gaillard. Col. Goethals to-day issued a general order setting forth the great service rendered by Col. Gaillard,

OCONEE COTTON MARKET.

Seneca and Newry Lead in Cotton Prices this Week.

Quotations below were secured over phone at 10.30 o'clock this morning:

Westminster:

(By J. G. Breazeale.)
Cotton, 13 5-16. Seed, \$28 per ton.

Seneca:

(By Barron-Byrd Co.)
Cotton, 13 1/4 to 13 3/4. Seed, \$28 per ton.

Newry:

(By Courtenay Mfg. Co.)
Cotton, 13 3/4. Seed, \$27 per ton.

West Union:

(By Strother & Phinney.)
Cotton, 13 1/4. Seed, \$27 per ton.

Walhalla:

(By C. W. Pitchford.)
Cotton, 13 3/4. Seed, \$27 per ton.
Anderson—December 9.
Cotton, 13 1/4; seed, \$28 per ton.

12,081,100 BALES ARE GINNED.

264,659 Bales More Than Ginned to December 1st, 1912.

Washington, Dec. 8.—The sixth cotton ginning report of the Census Bureau for the season, issued at 10 o'clock this morning, announced that 12,081,100 bales of cotton, counting round as half bales, of the growth of 1913, had been ginned prior to December 1, to which date during the past seven years the ginning averaged 83.2 per cent of the entire crop.

Last year to December 1 there had been ginned 11,354,541 bales, or 87.9 per cent of the entire crop; in 1911 to that date, 12,816,807 bales, or 82.4 per cent, and in 1908 to that date 11,008,661 bales, or 84.1 per cent.

Included in the ginnings were 85,760 round bales, compared with 73,030 round bales last year, 87,996 in 1911, 101,718 in 1910, and 134,393 in 1909.

The number of sea island cotton bales included were 61,516, compared with 51,275 bales last year, 87,606 bales in 1911, 77,591 bales in 1909, and 63,398 bales in 1908.

DEATH FOR SLAYER OF BEST.

In Less Than Week Negro Gets Vision of Electric Chair.

Barnwell, Dec. 8.—In less than one week after Scott Madison fired the shot that killed E. Peyton Best, a well known merchant of Barnwell, he heard the sentence of death passed. The negro was tried in the Court of General Sessions here to-day, and on conviction this afternoon Judge Gage sentenced him to die in the electric chair between Friday, December 19, and Monday, December 22. Gilbert Miller was declared guilty of assault and battery and was sentenced to serve 30 days on the county chain gang. Mr. Best was killed on the night of December 3.

These two negroes, who were carried to the State penitentiary last Thursday, following the finding of a verdict by the coroner's jury of inquest, were brought back to Barnwell this morning to face the charge of murder. They were escorted from the depot to the court house by a large number of special deputies. There was absolutely no attempt made, however, to take the prisoners from the officers, and it is apparently the desire of every one here to let the law take its course. When the accused men were being marched down the street, the wife and one of the sisters of the murdered man were standing on the sidewalk, and they, with tears in their eyes, turned and watched the negroes who had so cruelly robbed them of husband and brother.

Important Association Formed.

Richland, Dec. 8.—Special: We are having some nice hog-killing weather now. It came just in time to get the meat ready for Christmas. There are plenty of hogs in the community and most of them are ready for this cold snap.

Miss Annie McMahan, Supervisor of Rural Schools, visited our school Friday evening and helped to organize a rural school improvement association. Miss Belle Stribling was elected president; David McMahan, vice president; Miss Carrie McMahan, secretary; Miss Grace Verner, corresponding secretary, and Jack Davis, treasurer. The object of the association is to improve and beautify the grounds and school house and to compete for the prizes offered.

Miss Pauline Davis is teaching school at Reedy Fork. This is her second year, and we feel sure she will be a good teacher. She spent the week-end with homefolks.

Mrs. Lucy Burris, of Walhalla, spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mrs. W. C. Foster.

Mrs. E. E. Verner returned home Thursday after an extended visit to her daughter, Mrs. Furman Burns, at Fountain Inn.

Miss Margaret Stokes and Charlie Wells, of Greenville, spent the week-end at the home of the former's aunt, Mrs. S. N. Hughs.

who, in addition to directing the engineering work in Culebra Cut, was a member of the commission, declaring him to have been a faithful public servant and a true man.